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"AN ACT INCREASING VOTER ACCESS."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (a) of section 9-261 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective 4
- 5 October 1, 2019):
- 6 (a) In each primary, election or referendum, when an elector has 7 entered the polling place, the elector shall announce the elector's street 8 address, if any, and the elector's name to the official checker or 9 checkers in a tone sufficiently loud and clear as to enable all the 10 election officials present to hear the same. [Each elector who registered 11 to vote by mail for the first time on or after January 1, 2003, and has a 12 "mark" next to the elector's name on the official registry list, as 13 required by section 9-23r, Except as provided in subsection (b) of
- 14 section 9-23r, each elector shall present to the official checker or
- 15 checkers, before the elector votes, [either] a current and valid photo
- 16 identification that shows the elector's name and address. [or a copy of
- 17 a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or

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18 other government document that shows the name and address of the 19 elector. Each other elector shall (1) present to the official checker or 20 checkers the elector's Social Security card or any other preprinted form 21 of identification which shows the elector's name and either the elector's 22 address, signature or photograph, or (2)] Each elector not required to 23 produce such photo identification, in accordance with the provisions 24 of subsection (b) of section 9-23r, shall, on a form prescribed by the 25 Secretary of the State, write the elector's residential address and date of 26 birth, print the elector's name and sign a statement under penalty of 27 false statement that the elector is the elector whose name appears on 28 the official checklist. Such form shall clearly state the penalty of false 29 statement. A separate form shall be used for each such elector [. If the 30 elector presents a preprinted form of identification under subdivision 31 (1) of this subsection, the official checker or checkers shall check the 32 name of such elector on the official checklist, manually on paper or 33 electronically not required to produce such photo identification. If the 34 elector completes the form under [subdivision (2) of] this subsection, 35 the registrar of voters or the assistant registrar of voters, as the case 36 may be, shall examine the information on such form and either instruct 37 the official checker or checkers to check the name of such elector on the 38 official checklist, manually on paper or electronically, or notify the 39 elector that the form is incomplete or inaccurate.

Sec. 502. Subdivision (4) of subsection (d) of section 9-23g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(4) If on the day of an election or primary, the name of an applicant does not appear on the official check list, such applicant may present to the moderator at the polls either a notice of acceptance received through the mail or an application receipt that was previously provided to the applicant pursuant to section 9-19e, subsection (b) of section 9-19h, subsection (b) of this section or section 9-23n. If an applicant presents said notice or receipt, and either the registrars of voters find the original application or the applicant submits a new application at the polls, the registrar, or assistant registrar upon notice

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to and approval by the registrar, shall add such person's name and address to the official check list on such day and the person shall be allowed to vote if otherwise eligible to vote and the person presents to the checkers at the polling place a [preprinted form of] <u>current and</u> valid <u>photo</u> identification pursuant to [subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of] subsection (a) of section 9-261, as amended by this act."

This act sh sections:	all take effect as follows	and shall amend the following
Sec. 501	October 1, 2019	9-261(a)
Sec. 502	October 1, 2019	9-23g(d)(4)